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For today's preview, I've decided to look at a fight that I feel is often overlooked and that is Mirko Crocop and Wanderlei Silva's first fight under special Pride vs K-1 rules back at Pride 20. At the time, Crocop had only 3 MMA fights, with one of them being against Nobuhiko Takada under the same special rules that this fight was to take place under. Wanderlei was 19-3 at the time and undefeated in Pride, proving to be a wild wrecking machine. The train of thought going in was that if Wanderlei got reckless with his striking at any point, the 1999 K-1 World Grand Prix finalist would put him away with relative ease. However, that did not happen and Wanderlei managed to hold his own, lasting a full 15 minutes with the K-1 star and having the fight result in a draw. The two later faced off in the monumental Pride 2006 OWGP. Also at the event was an MMA fight between Quinton Rampage Jackson and 1994 K-1 WGP finalist Masaaki Satake, who had an MMA record of 1-6-1 going into the fight.

After the break, Rampage's take on his fight with Satake along with fight highlights and Crocop's fight with Takada.

Quinton Rampage Jackson vs Masaaki Satake Highlights

Mirko Crocop vs Nobuhiko Takada

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